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MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE
ON
COMMUNICATIONS AND TECHNOLOGY

Tuesday, February 13, 2018 10:30 a.m. Room 307 House Office Building

The House Standing Committee on Communications and Technology was called to order by the Chair.

Chair Hoitenga requested attendance be called to establish a quorum of the appointed committee members:

Members present: Reps. Hoitenga, Griffin, Glenn, Runestad, Sheppard, Tedder, Lower, Phelps, Hertel, Jones, Lasinski.

Members absent/excused: None.

Representative Sheppard moved to approve the minutes from the January 30th, 2018 meeting.

There being no objection, the motion was approved by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid the following bills before the committee:

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| HB 5494 | (Hoitenga) | Aeronautics; unmanned aerial systems; criminal responsibility for use of unmanned aerial vehicle; define as an extension of the person. |
| HB 5495 | (Hauck) | Crimes; other; prohibition on using an unmanned aircraft in a manner that interferes with the operations of a key facility; provide for. |
| HB 5496 | (Hoitenga) | Aeronautics; other; Michigan aeronautics commission; establish duties under the unmanned aircraft systems act. |
| HB 5497 | (Barrett) | Aeronautics; unmanned aerial systems; definition of public safety officials; expand. |
| HB 5498 | (Lower) | Criminal procedure; sentencing guidelines; sentencing guidelines for using an unmanned aircraft in a manner that interferes with the operations of a key facility; provide for. |

Troy Hagon, Mike Trout and Bryan Budds testified in support of the bills. Questions and discussion followed.

Chair Hoitenga handed the gavel over to Vice Chair Griffin at 11:14 a.m.

Chair Hoitenga, Representative Barrett, Representative Hauck, and Representative Lower spoke in support of the bills. Questions and discussions followed.

Chair Hoitenga took the gavel back at 11:35 a.m.

John Dulmes representing the Michigan Chemistry Council and Jon Cool representing the Michigan Railroad Association spoke in support of HB 5495.

Trooper Mike Darrow and Sargent Matt Williams spoke in support of the bills. Questions and discussion followed.

The following people submitted a card in support of the bills, but did not wish to speak:
Chris Iannuzzi, Consumers Energy.
Derek Dalling, Michigan Propane Gas Association.

The following people submitted a card in support of HB 5495, but did not wish to speak:
Peter Langley, the American Petroleum Institute of Michigan.
Mark Griffin, Michigan Petroleum Association

John Cool representing the Michigan Railroads Association submitted a card in support of HB 5497.

Nathan Trail representing the Consumer Technology Association submitted a card in opposition to HB 5494, 5496, and 5497, but did not wish to speak.

There being no further business before the committee, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 11:53 a.m.

Representative Michele Hoitenga, Chair_____

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